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Dear Sir:

Further and favorable consideration of the above application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments presented in the following listing of claims, and in view of the following remarks.